

Order Number: # 03-03-03-22-01



**U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service  
Cibola National Forest  
Magdalena Ranger District**

**Bear Trap Fire Area/Road/Trail Closure**

**PROHIBITIONS**

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a) and (b), the following are prohibited on the National Forest System (NFS) lands, roads, and trails in the Magdalena Ranger District, Cibola National Forest and Grasslands, described below and shown on the attached map, incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A (the "Described Area/Roads/Trails"):

1. Going into or being upon the Described Area. **36 C.F.R. § 261.53(e).**
2. Being on the Roads. **36 C.F.R. § 261.53(e).**
3. Being on the Trails. **36 C.F.R. § 261.55(a).**

**EXEMPTIONS**

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

1. Persons with Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation or Order), specifically exempting them from this Order or a written determination by a Forest Service authorized officer that a permit is not required under 36 C.F.R. § 251.50(e)(1) or (2).
2. Any Federal, State, or Local Officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting resource in the performance of official duty.
3. Landowners crossing National Forest System lands to access their private property.

## **DESCRIBED AREA/ROADS/TRAILS**

The Described Area consists of all National Forest System (NFS) lands within the following description. The northwestern boundary will consist of NFS Road (FR) 549 starting at the southwest end of FR 549 to include all of FR 549 to the point it intersects with FR 138. The southwestern boundary will start at the intersection of FR 549 and FR 73 heading northwest along FR 73 until intersection of FR 73 and FR 72. Then following FR 72 south to FR 94 and continuing until reaching FR 478. The southern boundary will start at the junction of FR 94 and FR 478 to include all of FR 478 to the east of the intersection ending at NFS Trail 43. The eastern boundary will start at the junction of FR 478 and NFS Trail 43 continuing north along NFS Trail 43 to Grassy Lookout. Then following NFS Trail 63 northeast to the junction of FR 330. The northeastern boundary will start at the intersection of FR 330 and NFS Trail 63 continuing northwest along NFS Trail 92 continuing through the intersection of FR 138, until FR 138 intersects with FR 549.

All NFS Roads and Trails identified above that comprise the Described Area boundary are closed, as are all NFS Roads and Trails within the Described Area boundary also to include NFS Trail 36.

## **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Order is to protect public health and safety from post wildfire hazards and provide for firefighter and contractor safety during post wildfire suppression repair.

## **IMPLEMENTATION**

1. This Order shall be in effect from July 25, 2022, at 8:00 a.m., through August 31, 2022, at 11:59 p.m., unless rescinded.
2. A map identifying the Described Area/Roads/Trails is attached and made part of this Order as Exhibit A. For a digital version of this Order and Exhibit A, go to <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/cibola/alerts-notice>
3. Unless otherwise expressly defined in this Order, the terms used in this Order are defined by the regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture, 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299. If there are terms in this Order that are not expressly defined in the Order or 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299, their meaning shall be determined by their plain language definitions.
4. A violation of the above prohibitions is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organizations, or by imprisonment for not more than six months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.
5. Contact the Magdalena Ranger District in Magdalena, NM, (575) 854-2281, and the Cibola National Forest Supervisor's Office in Albuquerque, NM, (505) 346-

3900, for more information about this Order.

6. This Order supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same or similar acts in/on the same Described Area/Roads/Trails.

Signed and issued on July 28, 2022.

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Forest Supervisor  
Cibola National Forest and Grasslands